



Program Manager Assembled  
Chemical Weapons Alternatives

# ACWA Cost and Schedule Information

## A Partnership for Safe Chemical Weapons Destruction

On April 3, 2007, the Department of Defense approved a revised cost and schedule estimate, known as an Acquisition Program Baseline (APB), for the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (ACWA) program.

The new cost estimate for the ACWA program is approximately \$8 billion. This estimate covers the overall management of the ACWA program, as well as the construction, operation and closure of the Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (PCAPP) in Colorado and the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP) in Kentucky. The estimate is based on detailed historical data and the mature pilot plant designs.

In regards to schedule, ACWA expects that the chemical weapons stockpiles in Colorado and Kentucky will be completely destroyed in 2020 and 2023 respectively. Specific schedule milestones outlined in the APB are detailed below.

MILESTONE	DATE
<b>PCAPP Schedule</b>	
Begin Destruction Operations	2015
Complete Destruction Operations	2020
Complete Pilot Plant Closure	2024
<b>BGCAPP Schedule</b>	
Begin Destruction Operations	2017
Complete Destruction Operations	2023
Complete Pilot Plant Closure	2027

ACWA will continue to investigate measures to decrease costs throughout the life cycle of the program and to minimize the time to complete chemical stockpile destruction while upholding its commitment to safety and security for workers, the community and the environment.

